

REMARKS

This responds to the Office Action mailed on June 19, 2007.

Claims 1, 8, and 15 are amended, claims 18 and 21-27 were previously canceled without prejudice to the Applicant; as a result, claims 1-17 and 19-20 are now pending in this application.

Support for the above amendments may be found in a variety of locations throughout the original filed specification. By way of example only, the Examiner's attention is directed to page 9 lines 8-11 and 23-25; and page 14 lines 11-13 of the original filed specification. Moreover, these amendments are made to place the present application in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicant believes that entry of the amendments is appropriate and will not necessitate a new search.

§103 Rejection of the Claims

Claims 1, 3, 5-9, 11, 14-16, and 19-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Deen et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0167317A1), in view of Burrows et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2005/0055434A1). It is of course fundamental that in order to sustain an obviousness rejection that each and every limitation in the rejected claims must be taught or suggested in the proposed combination of references.

In Burrows, two servers cooperate to fulfill a request of a client, with one server performing some operations and the other being consulted as need to perform other operations. This interaction is unknown to the client. As but one example, see paragraph 39 and 40 of Burrows.

There is no mechanism in Burrows that supports the limitation that content does not have to be re-supplied by a user after successful authentication. The Examiner indicated that the previous language, in view of the Examiner, did not support this limitation being argued by the Applicant. As such, the Examiner did not consider it in the Final rejection.

The limitations added by way of amendment should now make this point clear and the language used mimics what was present in the original filed specification. Thus, the rejections of record should be withdrawn. Applicant respectfully requests an indication of the same.

Claims 2, 10 and 17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Deen et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0167317A1), in view of Burrows et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2005/0055434A1), and in view of Bodin et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,604,106). These claims are dependent from amended independent claims; therefore for the amendments and remarks presented above with respect to the appropriate independent claims, the rejections of claims 2, 10, and 17 should be withdrawn.

Claims 4 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Deen et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0167317A1), in view of Burrows et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2005/0055434A1), and in view of Agarwalla et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,985,936). These claims are dependent from amended independent claims; therefore for the amendments and remarks presented above with respect to the appropriate independent claims, the rejections of claims 4, and 13 should be withdrawn.

Claim 12 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Deen et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2003/0167317A1), in view of Burrows et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2005/0055434A1), and in view of Rajan et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,871,220). Claim 12 is dependent from amended independent claim 8; therefore, for the amendments and remarks presented above with respect to independent claim 8, the rejection of claim 12 should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicant's attorney (513) 942-0224 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

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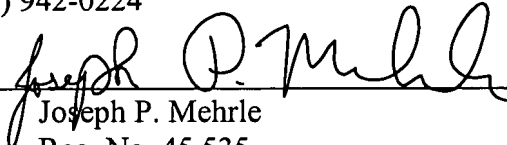
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